

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Cancelled).

2. (Cancelled) - 25. (Cancelled).

26. (Currently Amended) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 38 ~~1~~, ~~wherein said selective expansion of the storage volume of the suitcase provided by the zip fastener arrangement incorporates first and second separately operable zip fasteners, the first zip fastener providing the opening and closing facility and the second zip fastener providing the selective expansion, and wherein further comprising~~ a gusset which is provided between zipping portions of said second zip fastener that is associated with the selective expansion, the zip fastener arrangement being such that the volume of the suitcase can be selectively increased by appropriate operation of said second zip fastener.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently Amended) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 38 ~~1~~, wherein the lid ~~forming~~ and base ~~forming~~ sections incorporate corrugations so positioned as to counteract material wrinkling at corners of ~~the mouldings~~ said sections arising from the moulding thereof, said corrugations being visible at said corners.

29. (Currently Amended) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 38 ~~1~~, wherein the pair of wheels is a first pair of wheels and further comprising a second pair of wheels provided at an end of the lid forming section corresponding to the end of the base forming section at which the first pair of wheels is located.

30. (Previously Presented) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 29, wherein the first and second pair of wheels are so located on the respective lid and base forming sections as to lie at corners of a rectangle.

31. (Currently Amended) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 38 ~~1~~, further comprising piping configured to provide stiffness to said first zipper fastener and to said second zipper

fastener and for providing stiffness to along facing edge regions of said lid and base sections the
zip fastener arrangement.

32. (Cancelled)

33. (Cancelled).

34. (Previously Presented) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 1, wherein the foamed plastics material is EVA.

35. (Currently Amended) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 38 ~~4~~, wherein the base forming section has an opening and further comprising a towing handle arrangement located in the opening.

36. (Currently Amended) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 38 ~~4~~, wherein each wheel of the pair of wheels are included as part of a respective wheel assembly of a pair of wheel assemblies and wherein the base forming section has a pair of indentations to define mounting locations for the pair of wheel assemblies.

37. (Previously Presented) The soft suitcase as claimed in claim 36, further comprising a second pair of wheel assemblies and wherein the lid forming section has a second pair of indentations to define mounting locations for the second pair of wheel assemblies.

38. (New) A soft suitcase, said soft suitcase comprising:

a lid section and a base section each comprising a foamed plastic material, wherein said lid section and said base section are moulded as one-piece tray-like forms and both are shape-wise maintaining such that said soft suitcase has no internal or external perimeter framing around an entire periphery of said lid section or of said base section, and wherein each of sections has no reinforcing side, base and back panels so that said soft suitcase is not of a box construction, and wherein said lid section and said base section being hinged together;

a first zipper fastener that provides an opening and closing facility between said lid section and said base section;

a second zipper fastener that provides a selective expansion of a storage volume of said soft suitcase; and

at least one pair of wheels provided at one end of said base section.